

# Institute joins nation in mourning King's death

## Faculty, students consider role of MIT in race problem

"Where do we stand?" was the question put forward to the second Incomm panel discussion Tuesday. The panel and audience attempted to shed light on the role of MIT in solving the race problems of the country and race problems in its own corridors.

Participating in the panel were Bernard Freiden, associate professor of City Planning, Jerome Wiesner, Provost, Roland B. Greeley, Director of Admissions, Leon Trilling, Professor of Aeronautics, Maria Kivisild '69, Shirley Jackson '68, and Robert Tinker, graduate student in physics.

### Cites efforts

Frieden spoke first, expressing his opinion that MIT had already made several moves in the direction of aiding the Negro's plight in the Boston area. He cited the efforts of the Social Service Committee, the Science Day Camp, and the Cambridge Corporation. Frieden then pointed out that MIT had also been involved in hiring building contractors who practiced unfair employment.

Greeley then brought up the admission policies. He said that helping Negro students from deprived areas in a five year program as at Yale had been considered but never implemented. Trilling, who has worked with the problem of the problem of Negro enrollment at MIT, then gave some statistics concerning negro applicants.

### Negroes accepted

He pointed out that over a third of the applications submitted by Negroes each year are accepted. The admission office has taken nine colored students this year it would not ordinarily have taken, he added. Trilling also mentioned a proposal to conduct an experimental program over the summer for 20 or 30 high school Negroes to acquaint them with the university environment. He said that the Institute had also considered a program to bring 100 students to MIT for a year to prepare them for formal college education here or elsewhere.

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### Carnegie Commission chairman

## Clark Kerr to speak at 1968 Baccalaureate

Dr. Clark Kerr, Chairman and Executive Director of the Carnegie Commission on the Future of Education, has been announced as this year's Baccalaureate speaker. Kerr, a Professor of Economics and Industrial Relations at the University of California at Berkeley, will speak on "The Legacies of our Times."

In addition to his academic and executive duties, Kerr is a lecturer and a prolific author. He has written several books on labor problems and relations, industrialism, and the university. He has also contributed to over a dozen labor and economics books. He has lectured at Harvard, Cambridge, and Capetown Universities.

Kerr received his AB from Swarthmore and his MA from Stanford. After studying at the London School of Economics and the Graduate Institute of International Relations in Geneva, he earned his PhD in Economics at Berkeley. Since then he has received honorary degrees from Harvard, Princeton, and Brandeis.

Academic appointments have been at Antioch College, Stanford, University of Washington, and Berkeley. In 1952, Kerr became the first Chancellor of the Berkeley campus and from 1958 to 1967 served as President of the University of California.

As a public servant, Kerr has been on advisory boards to Presidents Truman, Eisenhower, Kennedy, and Johnson. He has served on many boards and participated in international research projects, and currently is a trustee of the Rockefeller Foundation.

The service will take place June 6 at 2:30 pm in Kresge. Seniors will be able to pick up three tickets before they become available to the Institute community. Details will be available later.



## Course IV students build memorial exhibit

By Mitchell Serota

The memorial to Dr. Martin Luther King that occupied the Kresge lawn this week was designed in an effort to allow opinions about the racial situation to flow freely. In response to the assassination, the memorial was conceived and organized by Steve Leff '68, Arthur Stern '68, John Terry '68, UAP Maria Kivisild '69, and Associate Professor Karl Linn, Department of Architecture. The structures were prepared Monday night and set up on the grass Tuesday morning, in time for the memorial services. Notable attractions were geraniums to plant in a small flower bed and comment boards.

The exhibit plans were begun Sunday and given support by Professor Jerome Wiesner, Provost, and Deans Robert Holden and Lawrence Anderson, Department of Architecture. Support was also received from numerous on- and off-campus organizations who ran booths; from dozens of students and faculty who worked through the night; and from the physical plant staff who were always willing to help.

The memorial is a part of a thesis being done by Leff, Stern, and Terry which involves experiments in environment. If members of the college community can contribute to their campus environment, the students believe, they can feel more a part of MIT. The thesis is not a single event, but includes such divers actions as redesigning the Bursar's office in Building 10, as well as establishing a booth in the lobby of that building where coffee and doughnuts will be available, and, hopefully, discussions will take place. These experiments will establish a process for students to participate in the growth of their environment, and perhaps will spread this idea to other campuses.

The exhibit proved a great success, as all major Boston papers as well as UPI and AP took note.



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## Panel discusses racism in America

By Pete Meschter

"We have somehow lucked through. The Negroes have given us another, and undeserved, chance...we must not desist from the effort," warned Professor Leonard Fein at the first of the two Incomm panel discussions Tuesday. The panel discussion, "Racism in America," attracted over 900 to hear members of the MIT community probe the problems of race in response to Martin Luther King's

death.

The panel was chaired by Professor Walter Rosenblith, Chairman of the Faculty. Members included Professors Philip Morrison, Physics; Williard Johnson, Political Science; Leonard Fein, Political Science; Thomas Mahoney, Humanities. Richard Kline, a research assistant, and Al Silverstone, a graduate student, also sat on the panel.

### "Following King's example"

Introducing the panel, Prof. Rosenblith stated, "This morning will have failed if we do not act in the fallen prophet's example," and quoted from the report of the Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders: "Our nation is moving towards two societies, one black, one white, separate and unequal." It is our task to avoid this polarization of society."

Prof. Morrison traced the history of the "profound meaning of polymorphism in man," and predicted the eventual re-mixing of the races as a product of the machine age. He called for an approach to race problems in cool reason and warm dedication, so that we can proceed with hope."

### Reestablish law: Kline

Greatest audience reaction was achieved by Kline's speech. He called for a reexamination of the law, not as an instrument of oppression, but as "the only way to secure the fabric of society," and predicted "further violence and assassinations" if the law were further scorned.

Noting that in the past groups such as the KKK and the Mafia have used violence to achieve their own ends, Kline predicted a "proliferation of disobedience" by other minority groups in the same tradition. He called for respect for the law in all walks of life, specifically mentioning protection of ghetto businessmen,

support of the police, and a presentation of the Negro by the mass media, not as a "problem, but as a human being."

The greatest sensation of the day was produced when Kline stated: "We must reject demagogues with cheap, slick solutions, such as George Wallace, Stokely Carmichael — and Bobby Kennedy."

Kline that change should come only within the law, stating that he was not sure that the law was still sufficient to give the Negro full equality. Fein commented on the change from "prejudice" to "racism" in the last ten years, which he said was an admission that "the problem is embedded in our institutions—we support an institutional en-



Photo by David Pack

Silverstone followed with a dramatic statement in which he accused "racism" of "continuing to murder Dr. King's dream." He gave a definition of racism in broad social and economic terms, ranging from high infant mortality among Negroes to the white police force, which he said should be withdrawn from the ghetto. He cited the low college attendance of Negroes as a major problem, and called for a parallel MIT education for at least 200 black students.

### Problem in institutions

Prof. Fein disagreed with

environment which brutalizes the Negro." He denied that destruction was the answer, however, calling it "wholesale flailing" rather than the "necessary surgery for cancer."

### Lettvin, Pollack comment

The question-and-answer period which followed the speeches featured comments by Rabbi Pollack—"we must know how and why change takes place and how it is resisted"—and Prof. Lettvin, who called Dr. King "the man who voiced the universal 'no' against injustice, wherever it happened."

## Announcements

• Registration Material for the 1968 summer session will be available on Monday, April 22 at the Information Office. The registration forms must be filled in and returned to the Registrar's Office, Room E19-335, or the Information Office, by Wednesday, May 15.

• Final plans for the concert following Operation Target have been made. The concert, on Saturday, April 20, will feature the Nine Lords, the Orphans, the Split Level, and Jimmy Helms. Dean Fassett will be master of ceremony. General admission is \$1 and \$.50 for those who participate in Target. Proceeds will go to charity.

• All students who hope to enter medical school in Sep-

tember 1969 should attend the meeting of the Pre-medical Society on Tuesday at 7:30 pm. in the Mezzanine Lounge of the Student Center. Dean Emily Wick will discuss procedures and deadlines for making application to medical schools.

• The superintendent, Student Center Post Office, has informed us that new stamp machines have been installed. The stamps are available on the basis of one 5¢ stamp per nickel, two for a dime, and four 6¢ stamps plus a penny change for a quarter.

• There will be a meeting to schedule the Kresge Auditorium facilities for the coming academic year on April 18, at 5 pm in the Mezzanine Lounge. All interested in sponsoring programs, particularly for next

fall, should attend.

• Any living group which has not submitted a photo for a Spring Weekend Queen candidate may bring one to the Spring Weekend Booth by 5 pm today. Voting for finalists will be at the booth from Tuesday through Thursday.

• Next week, April 15 through 18, will be Student Center Revolution Week. Students will have the opportunity to air their gripes on large sheets of paper scattered around the Student Center. The Student Center Committee is attempting to change the center to a gathering place for student life. All suggestions will be given careful consideration.

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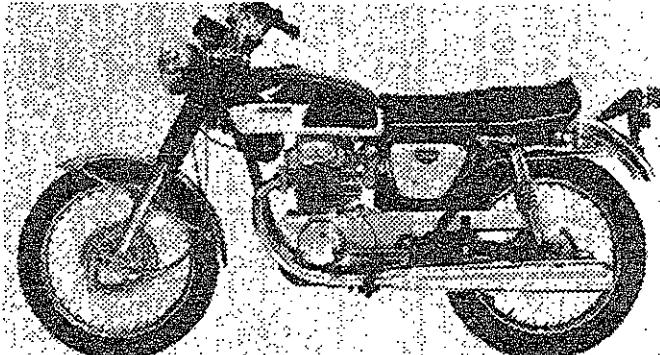
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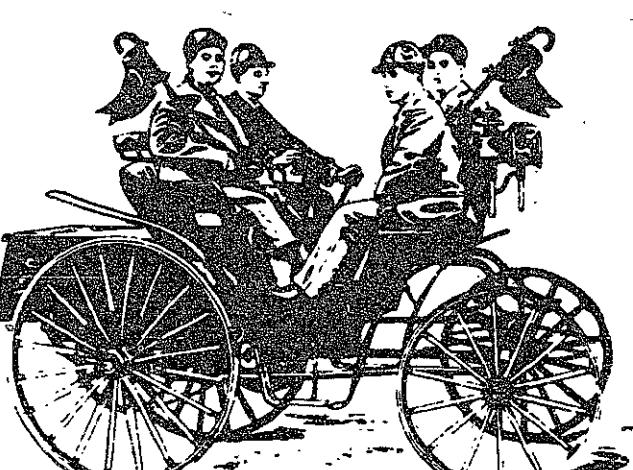


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Mrs. Lutz will serve as advisor to the committee, which will handle all aspects of the Selective Service. Responsibilities of the committee will be to keep fully informed of changes

in the law and administrative rules, to maintain an overview of the relevant Institute policies and procedures, to make recommendations for appropriate changes to faculty and administration, and to provide policy guidelines.

Associate Dean Sanborn Brown of the Graduate School has agreed to serve as chairman of the committee and as the Institute's chief liaison officer with the Selective Service officials. Committee members include Mr. Malcolm Kispert,

Vice President for Academic Administration, Dr. Jack Ruina, Vice President for Special Laboratories, Professor Irwin Sizer, Dean of the Graduate School, Professor Prescott Smith, Assistant Secretary of the Faculty, Mr. Philip Stoddard, Vice President for Operations and Personnel, and Professor Kenneth Wadleigh, Dean of Student Affairs.

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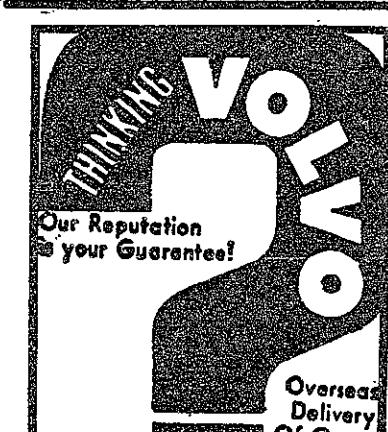
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# Emotion versus dedication

MIT donned a hair shirt at 9 am Tuesday; most of MIT took it off at 1 pm the same day. While no poll was taken at the door of Kresge at Tuesday's Inscomm seminars, it would be interesting to know what portion of the audience went out of a subconscious desire to do "penance" by sitting through a four hour meeting instead of sleeping all morning.

We consider it highly unlikely that any action remotely comparable to the hopes most of the audience carried into Tuesday's meeting will be forthcoming from the MIT community; universities polarized around science are just not set up to undertake a commitment for social change of the magnitude needed to produce major effects. Like the emotional response to the assassination of John F. Kennedy, Tuesday's feeling of commitment will soon give way to business as usual for all but the few in the MIT community who were already participating in the struggle before the assassination. The architecture students who organized the construction of the memorial in front of the Student Center did not appear to have too much difficulty in getting workers for their ambitious undertaking; it will be interesting to see, however, how much help they will receive when it comes time to dismantle these structures and Tuesday's emotional "high" has worn off.

Between platitudes, a few good ideas did come out of the meetings Tuesday. The Admission Office's program to bring promising Negroes on campus for a summer of intensive preparation before considering them for ad-

mission is a small step in the right direction, as are the various proposals for constructive use of the Institute's investment funds and the programs for encouraging more extensive employment of Negroes. In the coming months, The Tech will endeavor to follow these proposals to see what sort of action will come of Tuesday's words; we trust the MIT community will not lose all interest in the problems discussed so earnestly this week.

It is sad that we have waited until the death of Martin Luther King to decide, as Inscomm put it, "Where do we stand?" It is even sadder, however, that most of the MIT community will still stand just where it has been standing all along.

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# Realities

By Mike Devorkin

(Washington, DC, April 10) Staring from my hotel window in midtown Washington, I see a riot-torn city. And beyond, there is a battle-scarred nation caught in the midst of impending racial war. Never has it been more obvious that there is a deep, dark, tangled thread of hatred and violence prevading our land. Racial violence has just touched more than 112 American cities and at least 35 Americans are dead, but Mr. Cyrus Vance can still take great pride in "our ability to restore law and order in Washington, DC."

Come, let us reason and admit together; ours is a sick society. It is a house divided against itself and as such it cannot stand. This is the greatest lesson to learn from this past week and not the many lessons about suppressing disorder that Mr. Vance is so proud of citing.

Dr. King's death only confirms the views of the President's Commission on Civil Disorder that the basic cause of America's domestic strife is white racism. As much as leaders like Johnson and Humphrey try to deny this theme, it

blows as loud as the trumpets at Jericho. To turn a deaf ear would be suicidal.

This country seems to take great pride in its ability to gather itself together and meet the sternest tests of will. But this time the test is greater than all others. This is the issue: can this society survive the next year without massive bloodletting and finally guarantee all of the fruits of democracy to all of its citizens? Today a favorite pastime is reminding the American people of their commitments. The greatest one is the commitment to the people of this nation, our fellow Americans and fellow human beings.

In this political year, there has been much talk of a national reconciliation. I have reached the sad conclusion that this will not do. We cannot reconcile ourselves to this society. The common denominator is too low. White America is going to see things through the eyes of the black man. The message is clear and every black man in this nation knows it. It is time for white men to "see it like it is."

As Mrs. King said on Mon-

day: "How many men must die before we can really have a free and true and peaceful society? How long will it take?" The crowd gave no answer, but the very survival of this nation as a democracy depends on white America's response.

On the night before his death, Martin Luther King declared "that we as a people will get to the promised land." The one encouraging thing today is the strength of the black man. The march in Memphis and the events of Tuesday were moving tributes to the determination and spirit of black America. With the look of a black madonna, Mrs. King's display of quiet courage was a symbol of the entire non-violent movement, and all that is the best in America. If anything, the Negro must be superior.

Last Thursday, Dr. King declared: "I've been to the mountaintop. Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord." Monday Dr. Ralph Abernathy continued this theme. "This I know. This I know. This I know...We shall be free. If Jesus leads the way, I shall be free some day." The ringing sound of these words should move all men of good spirit and brotherhood to a rededication to equality and justice for all Americans. An event four and a half years ago called for this same rededication, but America failed that test. It cannot afford the luxury of a second failure. There is no next time. Though both men invoked religious symbols, as John Kennedy said, "Here on earth, God's work must truly be our own."

Tuesday was a day to be black. If Negroes are willing to call themselves Americans, then Tuesday made me proud to do likewise. In Dr. King's own words, "I want you to say that I tried to love and serve humanity." Let us all strive to have the same said of us.

# outside inscomm

## An academic memorial for Martin Luther King

By Jim Smith

Although Inscomm's colloquium on MIT's role in combating racism was thought-provoking, informative and arousing, its speech touched almost solely upon the Institute's role as a corporation rather than as a place of learning; and they did come up with even so tangible an idea as MIT High, which came out of the Myth conference.

I propose that we look at MIT's role as an educational institution and attempt there to serve the ideals and aims of Dr. Martin Luther King. That is, I think we should seriously ponder the fact that there are only two courses in the entire institute which actively with the problems of the center cities and of black Americans.

As Shirley Jackson '68 said, the political science department at MIT is almost inextricably bound up with its theorizing about "pid, planned, progressive social change"—in foreign countries. There is a mystique about the department that lauds and encourages trips to Asia to or Africa to study a "foreign culture"—when we have in nearby Roxbury or in Southeast Washington a culture more foreign to middle-class America but far more immediate to "national interests."

Admittedly, the situation has improved over the past three years despite the loss of Robert Wood, but there still exists an involvement in foreign works which remarkably parallels the White House in being at the expense of domestic study.

The introductory political science course, 17.01, is a good example. It is disappointing to many prospective majors for its emphasis on Kwakiutl Indians and on studies of Italian and Tunisian underdevelopment. Fortunately, Prof. Roy Feldman is now working on revising the course along more relevant lines. His work will be formalized within a month.

The only black professor in the department (one of only two in the Institute), Prof. Willard Johnson, is working on African problems, admittedly a very important area both now and for the future. But meanwhile, there is no professorship in the nitty-gritty of ghetto problems.

So, I suggest a tangible memorial to Dr. Martin Luther King which is within the grasp of the Institute and which would serve MIT education. Let us have, as soon as a suitable person can be found to fill it, a chair within the political science department precisely the problems of the black American and the American ghetto. Hopefully, it would be filled by a Negro. The Institute has already contracted a visiting professor on ghetto problems (from Columbia) for next year at the time of King's death. But there remains no permanent professorship in this field. The Institute is fighting a foreign war; surely it can assume such a domestic commitment.

However, if the department of political science cannot respond to such domestic problems, perhaps greater attention should be paid at this time to the idea of a separate Department of Social Inquiry. The idea was put forward originally by two humanities students, Marc Miller '69 and Bill Clusin '70, in an essay published in the November issue of INNISFREE. A student meeting on the proposal was later held, and a meeting of 25 interested faculty members will have been held the day before this column appears.

We encounter here the whole question of the performance of the political science department at MIT. The fact that head of the department, Ithiel Pool, and colleague Lucien Pye, both pro-Administration on the Vietnam War has had the result of increasing the criticism from students and faculty alike (notably Noam Chomsky) or whether the department is in fact Establishment oriented rather than independent, academic and intellectual.

One much maligned professor within the department has made the observation that "we social scientists often tend to think that we are being scientific when in fact we are merely being precise about banalities." Louis Kampf, head of the literature section of the humanities department, when told of this quote responded that he agreed except for the two words "very precise."

At any rate, there has been a growing desire for a "counterculture" of social science or social inquiry which would be more concerned with evaluating and improving rather than measuring the world we live in.

Inasmuch, then, as the problem of the Negro American is merely a part of the larger problems of American society, the creation of an entire department of social inquiry—perhaps as a section within the humanities department—might be an even more suitable memorial to Dr. King. Moreover, the framework for such a department exists already within the humanities department as it does not exist within any other, in the form of several courses already being offered—notably, 21.482 (Social Criticism in America), 21.483 (Dissent and Reform in Twentieth-Century America) and 21.484 (Intellectuals and Social Change). The professor who is teaching the first two of these subjects, incidentally, Arthur Kaledin, is in charge of one of next year's freshman humanities options, "Conflict and Community in America", which will provide a sound basis for such a major.

If the Institute can provide such a living memorial to Martin Luther King, it will in my mind have made a good start in combatting racism and the other destructive traditions in America.

# Letters to The Tech

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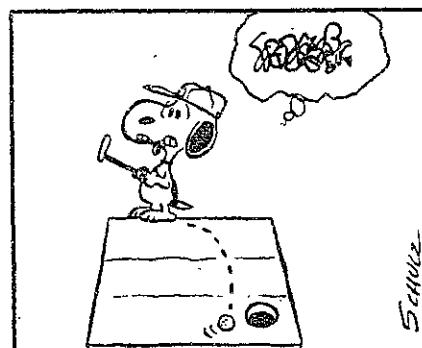
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I feel that I must protest the action of the Spring Weekend '68 committee. The reduction in ticket price to \$17 from \$18 for the Union Gap instead of the Jefferson Airplane is unrealistic. The Jefferson Airplane goes for \$6000, while the Union Gap goes for \$2000 plus, which implies at least a \$3.00 reduction per ticket (because the JA

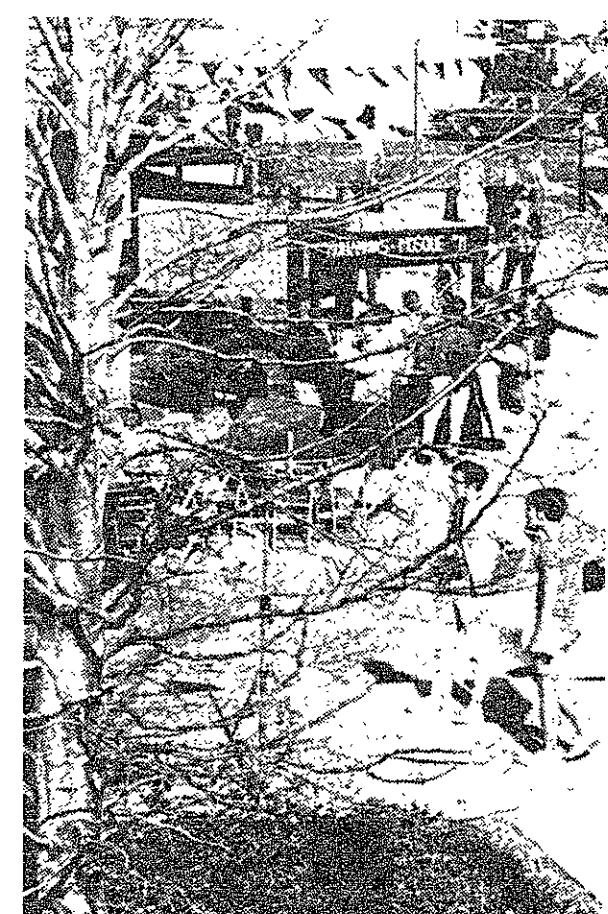
expense is 1/4 of the \$25 budget.) A more amiable solution should be offered, either a substantial cost reduction, a definite promise of a refund (This latter case is perhaps better because if not all tickets are sold (and most probably they won't), a pro-rated refund shares the burden of costs).

As a result of the present situation, the dormitories

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# Campus pays tribute to Martin Luther King



## Campuses commemorate King

By John Gerth

In observance of the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, nearly all Boston area schools held commemorative services and activities. Northeastern University cancelled classes Friday, Monday and Tuesday. On Friday about 300 students marched to Post Office Square and held a protest rally.

Monday at noon a Memorial Service was held in Alumni Auditorium. About 1000 persons heard NU's President Asa Knowles, Bill Hunt of the Resistance, and Henry Cabarius of the Black Students Union speak on Dr. King and racism in America. The next day students were free to attend the Memorial services at Harvard, and on Wednesday all classes could be turned into workshops at the request of the students.

### Boston University

The reaction at BU took the form of discussion groups, rallies, protests, and committees. Classes were cancelled on Monday and Tuesday, while Wednesday, classes could be turned into discussions by vote of the students. Tuesday night an ad hoc committee of about 300 was formed and presented a long list of resolutions. For example, they want the School of Nursing renamed in Dr. King's honor, a branch of BU in Roxbury, 100 additional Black students, withdrawal of funds from racially-tainted sources, and the establishment of a Martin L. King chair in Ethics.

### Harvard

Harvard's Law School was closed on Monday and Tuesday and the rest of the school on Tuesday. Black students at Harvard held separate services calling the regular one a white sham. The Black Students also submitted demands asking for an endowed chair for a Black, courses relevant to Black students, more lower level Black faculty members, and admission of Black students in proportion to the US population.

## Speakers probe US racism

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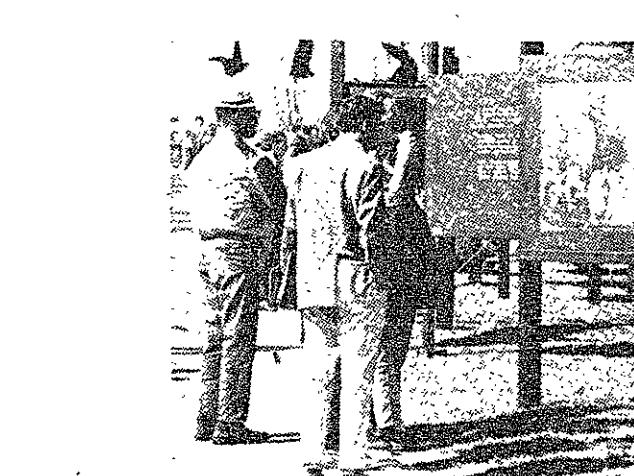
Shirley Jackson then expressed her conviction that whatever MIT could possible do would be too trite for the extreme social change that is necessary. She then questioned whether society can possibly change rapidly enough. Miss Jackson's comments touched off a vigorous response from a Negro student in the audience. He charged that the whites in the audience were hypocrites and that the white man doesn't really feel what he says about the black man. He received an ovation from a segment of the audience.

### Whites evade issue

Tinker, the final speaker, then charged that MIT was far behind in attempting to help the Negro in America get a better education and that the student body and administration lacked the interest that is so necessary to make any progress. Tinker added that whites were evading the issue by either saying that the whole problem was futile or that the blacks really don't want white help anymore.

The meeting ended with people in the audience expressing desire to organize a group at MIT to give students a real chance to find out what they could do about racism.

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**G&S shows Ruddigore**

Next Thursday, Friday, and Saturday the MIT Gilbert & Sullivan Society will present "Ruddigore". The cast features Sue Waldman, Rick Rudy '68, Bob Gaston '70, and Jeff Weisenfreund. All seats are reserved, and tickets are available in Bldg. 10.

The Union Gap, Saturday's concert feature at Spring Weekend has just received its second gold record for their recording of "Young Girl". This follows the group's last big hit "Woman, Woman" which also was awarded a gold record (signifying million-dollar sales). The group's LP "The Union Gap" is also enjoying great sales. Coming from the West Coast, the quintet combines fine vocalizing with solid backing to produce one of today's most popular sounds. The group consists of Gary Puckett (guitar, organ, piano), Dwight Bement (organ, sax, piano, bass), Kerry Chater (bass), Gary Withe (sax, organ, piano), and Paul Wheatbread (drums).

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## *Caravan Theatre program thought-provoking, relevant*

As one of the final tributes to Martin Luther King, the Caravan Theatre presented a short series of excerpts from contemporary dramatic works last Wednesday. Pieces from Marat/Sade, Beckett's Waiting for Godot, and the clown scene from Brecht's *Lesson Play*, were effectively used to produce an absorbing, relevant comment on our times. Headed by three young actors the program left the 250 or so on-lookers thoughtful and quiet.

The theatre is set up as a small experimental theatre company with its purpose being to explore and probe today's theatre and its conventions in the hope of bringing theatre into relevant focus with society. In speaking with the members one realizes that they would like to try the wrongs of our world, yet still remain independent of any 'movements'. "Caravan tries to find works by contemporary writers whose ideas and form lend themselves to freedom of interpretation and staging." And freedom seems to be what it's all about.

The Caravan Theatre is currently presenting Genet's "The Maids" on weekends at the Harvard-Epworth Methodist Church (near the square).

## **Letters to The Tech**

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several fraternities will withhold their money until a satisfactory response is given.

Fred Kummer '71

Senior House

Social Chairman

(Ed. note: We spoke with Gordon Logan '68, Committee chairman, who informed us that ticket prices were not reduced more due to exactly the effect that Mr. Kummer speaks of: reduced ticket sales because of the loss of the Airplane. Also, fixed costs are fixed costs; they will not decrease, even if the key group is completely unknown.)

This country is in for 50 to 300 years of chaos."

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# Netmen defeated by Crimson, 6-1

By Jon Steele

In the first home match of the season, the varsity tennis team lost to Harvard 6-1, Wednesday afternoon. The match was much closer than the score indicates, however, as five of the matches went to three sets. The performance was especially encouraging in light of the fact that Harvard had defeated MIT 9-0 for four straight years.

Again the engineer's attack was led by sophomores Bob McKinley and Manny Weiss. McKinley faced Harvard's John Levin (a semi-finalist in last year's New England and now probably the top New England collegiate player) on the first court. Levin took the first set at 6-3; McKinley jumped ahead 5-3 in the second, lost his advantage, then won a series of baseline exchanges to take the set 8-6. Levin then played almost errorless tennis and ran up a 5-1 advantage in the third. McKinley began to play more aggressively and got back to 5-4, but Levin was able to hold serve for the match.

Down on the sixth court, Weiss used his serve-volley



Photo by Dave Simansky  
Bob McKinley '70 backhands a return against John Levin of Harvard. The Crimson won easily, 6-1.

attack to grab the first set 6-3, but Bruce Wiegand '69 of Harvard started scoring with high lobs and effective passing shots. These kept Manny more on the baseline and Wiegand eventually prevailed 8-6, 6-4, 7-5.

At number four, Steve Deneroff '68 accounted for MIT's only victory. Steve took the first set 7-5, hitting deep to the corners and taking the net behind well-placed approach shots. In the second set though, he pressed too hard; the ball sailed out and he lost six

straight games. In the third, Steve slowed down the pace and kept chipping away with a steady backhand to the corner, often followed by an approach down the line. His patience paid off: 7-5, 0-6, 6-4.

#### Doubles called

In the doubles, McKinley and Weiss blitzed through the first set 6-2. Levin and Rocky Jarvis '69, last year's runners-up in the New Englands, came back 6-4 in the second. The MIT sophomores got hot again in the third and were up 5-3, but Harvard held on. The match was halted at 6-6 due to darkness. Bob Metcalfe '68 and Tom Stewart '69 likewise surprised their Harvard opponents. They split two long sets and the match was called at 2-2 in the third.

Thus despite Wednesday's defeat and their 3-4 record, the tennis team is looking very strong and should fare well during the coming weeks. Their next match is at home Saturday against Bowdoin.

## Frosh sports

# Tech heavies down Andover; Baseball, lacrosse teams lose

By Dan Swift

The Frosh crew team came back from an opening loss at the hands of NU to defeat Andover Academy. Rowing with the advantage of a tail wind over one mile rather than the traditional 2000 meters, the heavyweight's first boat was victorious, while the second did not fare so well.

Co-captained by Bill Rasetter and Mike Pustejovsky and stroked by John Morgan, the first boat finished in 4:49, six seconds ahead of the Andover boat. The engineers started at 37 strokes a minute, then maintained 35% through the body, and finished at 37 for the last quarter. They constantly pulled away from their opponents. Andover's second boat won in a time of 5:07.

Both lightweights and heavies will see action Saturday in a meet against Dartmouth and Yale at Hanover, and against Columbia in New York.

#### Frosh nine defeated

The baseball team was de-

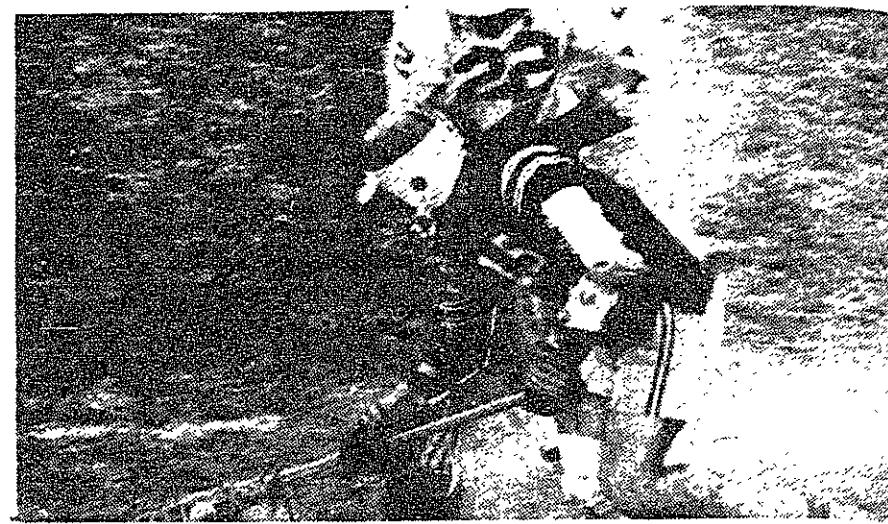


Photo by Jeff Reynolds  
Gary Gibian (15) scoops up a ground ball in front of a Harvard defender after a face-off in Wednesday's game. The Crimson dominated play and won the game 11-1.

feated 5-1 by Milton Academy in their opener. Although the engineers were limited to one hit, they did muster a semblance of a rally in the third inning. A run had scored on a few walks and errors when Bob Dresser stepped to the plate with the bases loaded and two down. He

hit a bullet, but it went right into the hands of the third baseman. This was the story of the game, as the engineers hit many hard shots, but always right to someone.

This proved to be the turning point, as Milton scored three runs in the bottom half of the inning. After this, the engineers could not manage to come up with any offense whatsoever. There was a notable amount of first-day nervousness and misjudgments, but these should disappear as the season progresses.

#### Stickmen lose opener

The lacrosse team bowed to Harvard by a margin of 11-1. The lone goal for the engineers was scored by midfielder Bill Dix. This year's team has some good talent and will be looking forward to better performances in future encounters.

## Weight-lifting contest to be held Sunday

A weight-lifting and bodybuilding contest will be held this Sunday at 2:30 pm in the Armory. This open Collegiate Lifting and Bodybuilding Contest is sponsored by the New England Youth Fitness Bureau and the MIT Athletic department. Scheduled events include the bench press, squat, clean and jerk, and chinning. Other events will consist of any feat of strength and endurance in the spirit of "anything you can do, I can do better"; so the contest should prove very interesting to participants and spectators. Competition is open to all students from colleges in the Boston area. The sponsors urge all persons interested in weight lifting to attend and watch the fun or pit their strength against competitors in their weight class.

## M sports

# Burton defends SB title

By George Novosielski

Intramural softball got into full swing over the weekend with the four favorites handily winning their first games. Burton A, last year's champion and the team to beat this season, swept past DU 5-1. LCA A behind the hurling of John Isaacson '69, who pitched for Burton A last year, romped over Chi Phi 12-2. SAM A shutout Burton B 10-0 and PDT A edged Senior Huose A 15-12 in an error-filled contest.

#### Hard Luck hurler

"Hard luck pitcher of the week" award goes to Steve Pease '69 who gave up only one hit and struck out 19 batters only to have his team, LCA B, lose to SAE A 4-1. Wildness in the first inning cost him the game as he gave up three runs on three walks, two hit batsmen and two wild pitches.

In a game that went right down to the classic 3-2 pitch with the bases loaded and two outs in the bottom of the last inning, Theta Chi A topped Sig Ep A 7-6. Baker A, Burton C, and Bexley A received byes in first round action in the A league.

#### Persians undefeated

Intramural volleyball proceeded into its third week with the Persian Students emerging as the only undefeated team in Division I, A league. They defeated Burton A 15-5, 9-15, 15-1 and Club Latino 18-8, 15-7, to run their record to 3-0. Holding the second spot is Club Mediterranean, with SAE.

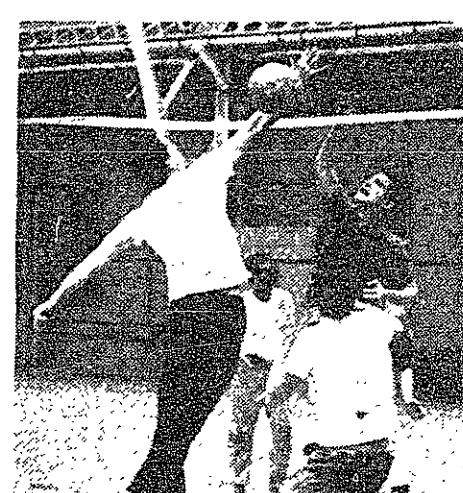


Photo by Steve Grether  
An aggressive participant spikes the ball in a game during the third week of volleyball action.

Burton A, and Club Latino trailing.

These five teams compose the strongest league in IM volleyball and all five automatically qualify for the playoffs. Ashdown A and Burton 2A stayed unbeaten in other Division I leagues. Only the top three teams in these leagues enter the playoffs.

Intramural water polo saw little action as Burton A swamped DU 11-4 in the only A league contest. Burton A and LCA appear to be the class of the small four team A league. Theta Chi and DU are the other A league squads. In B league action Baker House overwhelmed PBE 15-1, Sigma Chi smashed AEPi 10-5, and SAE trounced the Phi Deltas 6-1.

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## IM Council sets goals, seeks increased interest

By Bob Dresser

At last month's election meeting control of the Intramural council was turned over to Jeff Weissmann '69, as president, and to Joel Hemmelstein '70, as secretary. The basic goal of Weissmann is to increase and diversify the council.

#### Increased interest

It has been the opinion of many past members that only two or three living groups had any interest in the organization of intramural sports at MIT, and they left this ought to be changed. To accomplish this Weissmann has proposed that a letter be mailed to all freshmen informing them about the operation and control of IM sports. Furthermore, he has hoped to get increased publicity for IM sports from The Tech.

Among the other concerns of Weissmann has been competition between intramural champions of MIT and Harvard, and he has hoped to redefine the eligibility rules explicitly and judiciously. Finally, he would like to initiate a spring soccer tournament on the intramural level.

#### Executive committee

The success of these endeavors will depend upon the efficiency and ingenuity of Weissmann, Hemmelstein, and their executive committee, to be elected at the next meeting. Since council meetings are open, and because it is the desire of the present members of the council to increase interest, it is hoped that all interested people attend the meeting in the Varsity Club lounge at 8:00 on Tuesday.